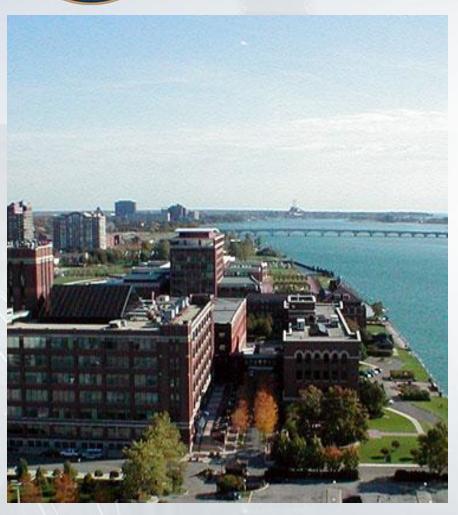
# Patent Public Advisory Committee Meeting Nationwide Workforce Briefing: Satellite Offices



Azam Khan Deputy Chief of Staff February 14, 2012



# Elijah J. McCoy Satellite Office Detroit



- Scheduled: July 2012
- 100 'IP Experienced'
   Patent Examiners to be hired in first year of operation
- Office will have a Patent Board of Appeals Presence
- First of Three planned
   Satellite Offices—Future
   Locations tbd



#### Patents Nationwide Workforce

# 300 River Place, Detroit







### **Key Dates**

#### Detroit Office Timeline

January 2012

February/March 2012

- July 2012

**Sign lease for Detroit space (Complete)** 

Post vacancy announcement for Electrical & Mechanical examiners

EOD - 1st class of 25 IPex



# Elijah J. McCoy—Floor Plan



- Patent Examiners, class 1
- Patent Examiners, classes 2-4
- SPE SPE
- Regional Manager
- BPAI
- CIO
- ITRP
- Team/Conference Rooms

January 18, 2012, Draft



#### **Future Offices**



- The Satellite Office Selection Team has one primary goal:
  - To provide highly objective recommendations to the Under Secretary and Deputy Under Secretary on the best locations for two USPTO Satellite Offices.



#### Criteria—Top Level



- The criteria the team will use focuses on those outlined by Congress in the America Invents Act including:
  - Applicant Outreach
  - Recruitment
  - Retention
  - Economic Impact on the Community
  - Geographic Diversity
- Stated goals of backlog reduction and improved quality captured in submeasures related to the above categories
- Additionally, the team will consider operational cost to the Agency in making its recommendation.



#### Timeline

- September 2011—Team Selected to Methodology Development
- November 29, 2012—Federal Register Notice Published
- November 2011 January 2012, Methodology Developed
- January 31, 2012—Notice and Comment period closes (over 500 comments received)
- February 2012—Contract to Clean and Baseline Data awarded
- March 2012—Team begins analysis
- May 2012—Team Recommendation to Management



# Thank You